

Learn to use GPS/GIS in K-12 Education

at the National MEC Conference

March 10-12, 2008

Have you seen people using GPS units to find treasure in the desert or get themselves to their in-law's house? Do you think that Google Maps would be a fun tool to use in your classroom? Are you looking for a new way to get your students using the latest technology in their learning? If so, you might want to apply for a scholarship to come to the 2008 MEC conference in Tempe, Arizona to learn how to incorporate these geospatial skills into your lesson plans.

Using GPS, Google Maps and GIS in K-12 education is one of the main foci at Arizona State University's annual Microcomputers in Education Conference. Educators from across the nation will be giving presentations on the use of these technologies in the classroom. The list of presenters includes K-12 teachers, university professors, international authors, GIS professionals and more. There will be a computer-lab dedicated to these geospatial presentations. Plus, you can get professional development credits for attending the sessions.

In a continuing effort to support geospatial education throughout the state, AGIC is sponsoring a scholarship fund to help Arizona educators attend MEC. If you would like to apply for the scholarship, please email the following information to Shea Lemar at shea.lemar@asu.edu:

Name

School

Grades and Subjects you Teach

Email Address

Phone Number

A short paragraph describing why you would like to attend MEC to learn about GIS. Please include any background you have with geospatial technologies (GPS, GIS, on-line maps) and tell us how you hope to incorporate what you learn into your classroom.

Eight applicants will be chosen to receive free registration to the conference on behalf of AGIC. Your email applications must be received by Friday, February 15th, 2008. Scholarship recipients will be contacted by Monday, February 25th.

The conference will be held March 10-12 at ASU's Tempe campus. For more information concerning the conference, please visit the MEC website at <http://mec.asu.edu>.

Please note, you must be an educator in the state of Arizona to receive a scholarship.